## IRON MIKE

By BILL HOFFMANN and DAREH GREGORIAN

Mike Tyson was accused yesterday of sexually as-saulting a 25-year-old Indiana woman in a Chicago bar — 13 months after serving prison time for the rape of a teen beauty queen.

The woman says the Boxing Council World Boxing Council heavyweight champ attacked her late Sunday in The Clique, a trendy night-club on Chicago's South Side that is popular with athletes and celebrities.

"From the

investigation

my office has

conducted so

what she is

telling us is

true."

far, we believe

LAWYER JERRY LEE PETEET

The woman - a beautician and part-owner of a liquor store filed a complaint sexual batterv with Chicago police yesterday.

But cops say charges had been filed against

Tyson as of late last night. The woman's lawyer, Jerry Lee Peteet of Gary, Ind., told The Post his client is dead serious about pursuing a criminal case.

I've listened to her and I believe her charges are valid," Peteet said.

"From the investigation my office has conducted so far, we believe what she is telling us is true.

Peteet refused to discuss specifics because "I don't war he investigation to be jet ardized."

Tye was released from n iana prison last an after serving three Ma:

years frape.

He was convicted of attacking 19-year-old Desiree Washington, a college student competing in

1991 Miss Black America beauty pageant, in a posh hotel room.

Tyson, who has always insisted Washington consented to having sex with him, remains on proba-

He served three years of a six-year sentence in an Indiana prison.

Peteet said the woman had gone to the bar with several friends and had never met Tyson before.

After the incident, the woman was taken to a Chicago-area hospital, treated for undisclosed injuries and

released Monearly Peteet day, Peteet said. He refused to identify the hospital.

Α man who answered the phone at Tyson's resisaid dence the strap. ping boxer had no comment.

Charles Wizard, manager at The Clique, said he was not on duty Sunday night and that the manager who was working would not be available.

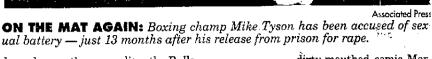
"Nobody said anything about Mike Tyson being in here that particular night, but that's not to say he wasn't," Wizard said.

"This is a popular place, and it attracts some celebrities, so you don't always notice everybody's that's here."

The cavernous, two-story club can — and often does - hold up to 1,000 partygoers.

"We're the largest black club in Chicago," one employee said.

In addition to Iron Mike, celebs



danced on the neon-lit floor include Scottie Pip-Glover, Danny Evander Holyfield and Sugar Ray Leonard.

The entire Charlotte Hornets team partied the night away amid the lasers and strobe lights Saturday night after beating the Bulls.

And Shaquille O'Neal-had his birthday party there recently.

The first floor, with paintings of Billie Holiday, Louis Armstrong and Martin Luther King on the wall, has a jazz room and a comedy room, where dirty-mouthed comic Mar tin Lawrence is a regular performer.

The club is also security conscious.

Beefy guards escort lone women to their cars to make sure they go home unharassed.



2040577537